

# Media Release

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## **Open House Celebrates New McKesson Family Centre**

**Tuesday, April 6 – Noon to 3 p.m.**

**Official presentation at 1 p.m.**

**349 College Avenue**

### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

**Winnipeg, MB:** Marymound's Independent Options and Young Parents programs will be holding an open house on Tuesday, April 6, 2010 from noon to 3:00 p.m. to celebrate the launch of its new McKesson Family Centre.

Thanks to a substantial grant from the McKesson Foundation, Marymound was able to completely renovate the second floor of its facility at 349 College Ave. The funding also enabled staff to furnish it with everything needed to provide a welcoming and engaging environment for the young parents and children who access services there.

New flooring, fixtures, a paint job, furniture, nursery and breastfeeding area, arts and crafts area, TV/DVD corner, and a huge range of toys and play equipment were purchased to turn the Centre into a homey, activity-centred space for play, sharing sessions, educational presentations and meetings.

At 1:00 p.m., Marymound will make an official presentation to representatives of the McKesson Foundation and will mount a plaque at the Centre.

Please join us for this special event.

*Marymound's **Young Parents Program** provides young moms and moms-to-be with hands-on assistance looking after baby—including bathing, feeding, first aid, parenting skills, good nutrition and finding child care. Recognizing that Mom's health and well-being affects baby's overall health, we also help with school registration/finding employment and provide respite. A trained family support worker offers ongoing assistance with an emphasis on empowerment.*

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